IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure as follows.

A work transfer apparatus \pm includes a turn table \pm with a plurality of work-storing pockets \pm for storing works \pm at the outer periphery of the turn table and a base \pm slidably supporting the works \pm stored in the work-storing pockets \pm of the turn table \pm . A probing detector \pm is provided in the base \pm , and the probing detector \pm comes in contact with the works \pm in the work-storing pockets \pm . An entire portion of the base \pm which comes in contact with the works \pm is made of insulant material \pm . --